



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR
WOMEN
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
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Monday, June 10, 2013

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-2826)

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Call to Order. (13-2452)

President Veda E. Ward, Ph.D. called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m., and noted the lack of a quorum. Commissioners Ruth V. Creary, Ph.D. and Alice S. Petrossian joined the meeting at 10:21 a.m., establishing a quorum.

Present: President Veda E. Ward Ph.D., Vice President Becky A. Shevlin, Commissioner Ruth V. Creary Ph.D., Commissioner Dora de la Rosa, Commissioner Reiko Duba, Commissioner Norma L. Gallegos, Commissioner Alice S. Petrossian and Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez

Absent: Commissioner Michelle Piñedo

Excused: Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D. and Commissioner Charlotte Lesser

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of May 13, 2013. (13-2453)

On motion of Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez, seconded by Commissioner Reiko Duba, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

Later in the meeting, on motion of Commissioner Ruth V. Creary, Ph.D., seconded by Commissioner Alice S. Petrossian, this item was called up for reconsideration. Commissioner Creary stated the Health Committee

is a Standing Committee and to delete Ad-Hoc from Item No. 8 of the May 13, 2013 Committee report.

Therefore, on motion of Commissioner Alice S. Petrossian, seconded by Vice President Becky A. Shevlin, unanimously carried, this item was approved as amended by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - President Veda E. Ward Ph.D., Vice President Becky A. Shevlin, Commissioner Ruth V. Creary Ph.D., Commissioner Dora de la Rosa,, Commissioner Reiko Duba, Commissioner Norma L. Gallegos and Commissioner Alice S. Petrossian

Abstentions: 1 - Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Michelle Piñedo

Excused: 3 - Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D. and Commissioner Charlotte Lesser

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- 2.** Discussion to approve a request for donation from Zonta Club of Santa Clarita Valley to fund three project events (Girl's Robotics Event, LifeForward Workshops and the Advocacy Program Trainings) for young girls and women of the Santa Clarita Valley in an amount not to exceed \$1500 total. (13-2645)

During discussion President Veda E. Ward recommended that a review of the criteria for funding an organization's donation request be conducted; and instructed staff to provide a list of organizations that have received donations from the Commission for the last three years be included on the August 2013 Retreat Agenda for review.

Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez recommended Zonta Club of Santa Monica report back in December on the use and allocation of funds received from the Commission for Women for the various programs.

Commissioners Petrossian, Duba, Gallegos and de la Rosa also commented on this item.

Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Reiko Duba, seconded by Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez, unanimously carried, this item was approved, with funds to be allocated from the Undesignated Funds.

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3. Discussion and consideration of a \$500 donation to the California Consumer Affairs Association for the Health Care Consumer Protection Summit of 2014 that will provide an opportunity for women and girls to work together on initiatives to detect, prevent, and combat current and emerging health care fraud and related issues. (13-2660)

On motion of Vice President Becky V. Shevlin, seconded by Commissioner Reiko Duba this item was opened for discussion.

During discussion Commissioners commented on this item.

Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Alice Petrossian, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued to the August 2013 Retreat Agenda to be considered for approval based on the criteria to be developed for funding requests.

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II. REPORTS

4. Staff report on Travel requirements for Commissioners. (13-2614)

Emma De Jesus, staff, Commission services, provided a detailed overview of the County's requirement for Travel, hotel booking, meals and parking allotments for Commissioners.

Ms. De Jesus responded to questions posed by the Commission.

Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was filed.

5. President's Report for May 2013. (13-2652)

President Veda E. Ward, Ph.D. reported that she was unable to attend the Association of California Commissions for Women's (ACCW) conference and directed staff to provide her with promotional items which will be distributed at the ACCW 2013 conference to be held in San Jose.

Commissioners Reiko Duba, Olivia G. Rodriguez and Ruth V. Creary, Ph.D. also commented on this item.

Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was received and filed.

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6. Report on the Ad-Hoc and Standing Committee meetings as submitted by Committee members:

Education Committee
Economic Development Committee
Health Committee
Public Relations/Social Media (13-2653)

President Veda E. Ward, Ph.D. complimented Commissioners for their participation in the various Ad-Hoc Committees.

Economic and Public Relations/Social Media Committee:

Vice President Becky A. Shevlin reported that discussions were held relating to combining the Economic and Public Relations/Social Media Committees, as both Committees were so closely related. Commissioner Reiko Duba has agreed to step down from her position on the Public Relations/Social Media Committee in order to maintain Brown Act compliance regarding quorum. County Counsel recommended that the Commission Trade Mark the Commission's logo and to have the artist relinquish rights to the logo artwork.

President Veda E. Ward requested submitted logo artwork be photo ready and made available electronically to Commissioners during the selection process.

Education Committee:

Commissioner Alice Petrossian reported that the Girls-At-Risk Scholarship program is complete and that former scholarship recipient, Talitha James and Commissioner Gerda Govine, Ed.D. will be guest speakers at the event. The three scholarship judges, Second District Deputy Joan Crear and Lisa Bernstein of El Nido were invited to the Scholarship Presentation and Program scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2013. Commissioner Petrossian requested Commissioners provide staff with additional promotional items, which will be included in the goodie bags. She urged Commissioners attend the event to represent their Supervisorial District. In addition, attendance by Commissioners will provide mentoring opportunities for the girls.

Health Committee:

Commissioner Ruth Creary, Ph.D. provided an overview of the Health Committee's Teleconference meeting held on May 30, 2013. She stated there is a critical need for nurses in California. She will speak with Second District Deputy Nedra Jenkins and report back on the status of Acute Hospital Services at Martin Luther King-Drew Hospital.

Commissioners Duba, de la Rosa, Gallegos and Rodriguez also commented on this item.

Dr. Genevieve Clavreul addressed the Commission and offered to be a nursing mentor.

Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was received and filed.

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[SUPPORTING DOCUMENT - Public Relations Social Media](#)

7. Treasurer's Quarterly Report and Discussion on Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-14. (13-2664)

Emma De Jesus, Commission Services staff, presented the Treasurer's Fourth Quarter report and noted Commissioner Charlotte Lesser will be presenting a Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-14 at the July Commission meeting.

During discussion, Commissioners provided input on this item.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, the Treasurer's 4th Quarter Report was received and filed; and the Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-14 was continued to the meeting of July 8, 2013 for discussion.

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III. MISCELLANEOUS**8. Commissioner Announcements for June. (13-2651)**

Commissioner Ruth V. Creary, Ph.D. referenced her written announcements previously submitted.

Commissioner Alice Petrossian announced that she attended a meeting where Helen Berberian of the Fifth District is now working with the Department of Children and Family Services. She would like to invite Ms. Berberian to be a presenter at a future Commission meeting.

Commissioner Norma Gallegos announced that she participated in a food bank co-sponsored by the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) and California Champions for Change. There were over 300 people served at the event. She will participate in the upcoming Third District's Back to School and Health Fair event. She concluded by saying she will invite members of the Valley Consortium to do a presentation the July 8, 2013 meeting, and request a donation from the Commission. She will be sharing her findings with the Economic Development Committee regarding Luna Fest.

Vice President Becky V. Shevlin announced that the City of Monrovia's Third Budget Session is today, June 10, 2013. The City of Monrovia is implementing a Blue Zone project similar to the Beach Cities Blue Zone which promotes healthier living in the Community. Monrovia School District has a Fruit or Vegetable food of the month program.

Dr. Genevieve Clavreul commented on this item.

Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was filed.

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Matters Not Posted

9. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Commission, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-2681)

On motion of Commissioner Norma Gallegos, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was introduced for discussion and placed on the July 8, 2013 Agenda.

- 9A.** Recommendation as submitted by Commissioner Norma Gallegos: Presentation on services provided by Valley Care Community Consortium by Joni Novosel, Executive Director. (13-2909)

On motion of Commissioner Norma Gallegos, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was introduced for discussion and placed on the July 8, 2013 Agenda.

Public Comment

- 10.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-2680)

Dr. Genevieve Clavreul shared several news articles, and an essay entitled "Treating Others as Our Own" - Working Nurse, May 6 - June 17, 2013, with the Commission as well as her concern regarding Senate Bills: SB491 (Nurse Practitioners, SB492 (Optometrist) and SB493 (Pharmacist).

No action was taken by the Commission.

Adjournment

- 11.** Adjournment for the meeting of Monday, June 10, 2013. (13-2613)

On motion of Vice President Becky A. Shevlin, seconded by Commissioner Reiko Duba, the meeting was adjourned at 11:59 a.m.